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Meeting Minutes
Kennedy Conference Room - Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Attendees: Bill Brand, Mike Coveyou, Stuart Crine, Joan Conrad, Lee Wilkinson, Mollie Anderson, Deborah Svec-Carstens, Brian Crowe, Tom Shepherd (by phone), Roya Stanley, Bob Mulqueen, Michelle Bauer.

Minutes

Minutes from the April 4, 2008 SEC meeting minutes were approved.

Legislation

Bob Mulqueen: 3 energy related bills passed the house Thursday, at least 517/544 was going to make it. There is an agreement on Gov's energy bill and it passed the house. 2405 More flexibility with renewable energy tax credits.

Mike Coveyou: Hf2687, has some energy implications. Surprised it's moved this far. \$4-6 million annual price tag.

Lee Wilkinson: Passenger rail, press conference today with Amtrak and Nancy Richardson.

Mollie Anderson: Still money in a bill for bus passes. Bus passes to be given to all employees on the state complex. Demo on campus for electric cars today, cities, counties, state could buy off contract.

Mike Coveyou: Language has been introduced for the standings bill that is for energy efficient schools, a pilot construction program for high performance school buildings.

Other Business

Iowa Climate Change Advisory Council put a list of proposals and mandates on their website and there is concern that some of the proposals might be unconstitutional. They really need to look at what they put on their website. Also, need to engage DPS in the matters of energy efficiency.

Mollie Anderson: Suggests OEI take a look at money coming to new Veteran's home might be some opportunities to address energy efficiency design.

New building is either going to be elected officials building or DNR, each day we wait the square footage we can afford goes down.

Surveys, DAS will be sending out green data and electrical and heating costs, once we have the data we can start to identify strategies for Green Executive Order.

Adjourn

NEXT MEETING:

Friday May 2, 2008, 9 am to 10 am in the Kennedy Conference Room in the State Capitol Building.